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Highways

1. I saw the Stalin (4538N-2534E) Bretcu (4603N-2619E) road from the air as late as the Fall of 1951. (Source believes the alignment of this road to be correct as shown in AMS 1301 (GSGS 2758), second GSGS edition AMS 5.) The Brasov-Bretcu section appeared yellowish white from the air; I believe it was packed gravel and stone and approximately four meters wide. I was surprised to notice from the air that the Bretcu-Harja (4610N-2628E) section of this road appeared gray and asphalt-like.
2. During the Summer of 1950, I noticed improvements being made on a highway between Plainesti (4532N-2707E), Focsani (4542N-2712E), and Marasesti (4553N-2714E). It was a hard-surface double lane road.

Railroads

- 25X1 3. In the Fall of 1950, [] I noticed repair work being carried out on a section just south of Buzau on the Ploesti-Buzau-Tecuci standard-gauge double-track railroad line.
4. I read in the newspapers in 1951 that a standard-gauge single-track railroad line had been completed from Bumbesti (4510N-2324E) northward up the Jiu River to Livezeni.

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5. I read in the newspapers that a standard-gauge single-track line had been completed in 1951 between the towns of Telciu /4726N-2425E/ and Viseu /4744N-2422E/. I do not know the alignment. This construction appeared most significant to me since, for the first time, the city of Sighet /4755N-2353E/ had a direct standard-gauge connection with the central part of Rumania. Previously a narrow-gauge rail line existed between the towns of Viseu and Telciu.

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